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CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Finance/ Justice & Social Services/Policy, Personnel, & Appointments

Tuesday, November 13, 2012

ILEAS Conference Room, 1701 E. Main St., Urbana, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christopher Alix, Carol Ammons, Ron Bensyl, Astrid Berkson, Thomas Betz, Lloyd Carter, Lorraine Cowart, Aaron Esry, Stephanie Holderfield, Stan James, John Jay, Jeff Kibler, Ralph Langenheim, Gary Maxwell, Diane Michaels, Max Mitchell, Steve Moser, Patti Petrie, James Quisenberry, Michael Richards, Giraldo Rosales, Jon Schroeder, C. Pius Weibel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jan Anderson, Alan Kurtz, Brendan McGinty, Steve O'Connor

OTHERS PRESENT: Deb Busey (County Administrator), Gordy Hulten (County Clerk), Andrew Levy (Regional Planning Commission), Kay Rhodes (Administrative Assistant), Dan Welch (Treasurer)

CALL TO ORDER

Weibel called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Rhodes called the roll. Alix, Ammons, Bensyl, Berkson, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Esry, Holderfield, James, Jay, Kibler, Langenheim, Maxwell, Michaels, Mitchell, Moser, Petrie, Quisenberry, Richards, Rosales, Schroeder, and Weibel were present at the time of roll call, establishing the presence of a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

OMNIBUS MOTION by Langenheim to approve the Legislative Budget Hearing minutes of August 27-28, 2012 and the October 9, 2012 Committee of the Whole minutes; seconded by Betz. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDA

MOTION by Rosales to approve the agenda/addenda; seconded by Carter. Weibel stated item 7A-2 should be removed from the agenda. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

COMMUNICATIONS

Busey pointed out that County Board member packet information had been created for new and returning board members.

POLICY, PERSONNEL, & APPOINTMENTS

Appointments/Reappointments

MOTION by Weibel to appoint Seamus Reilly, Andrew Kulczycki, and Michelle Ramage to the Rural Transit Advisory Group terms ending 11/30/2014; seconded by James. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to appoint James Rusk and Carol Elliott to the Public Aid Appeals Committee terms ending 11/30/2014; seconded by Kibler. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to appoint Tami Fruhling-Voges, Linda Hascall, Cathy Lentz, and Karen Bodnar to the Senior Services Advisory Committee Terms ending 11/30/2015; seconded by Esry. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to appoint Eric Thorsland to the Zoning Board of Appeals term ending 11/30/2017; seconded by Moser. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to appoint Stephanie Joos as the Animal Control Administrator term ending 11/30/2014; seconded by Holderfield. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to appoint Mary Hodson and Dr. Robert Palinkas to the Nursing Home Board of Directors terms ending 11/30/2014; seconded by Quisenberry. **MOTION** by Petrie to postpone the appointments until the next Policy, Personnel, & Appointments meeting in January 2013; seconded by Holderfield. Petrie explained that according to the Nursing Home Bylaws the Board of Directors ceased to exist effective January 31, 2012 because the County Board did not re-instate it at that time.

Holderfield agreed because the rules and regulations were not followed. Weibel said he solicited Ms. Hodson for the appointment because he felt she was an excellent candidate. Kibler asked if the Board of Directors was scheduled to meet before the January 2013 Policy, Personnel, & Appointments meeting in January 2013. Busey stated they did. Betz said that if the legal opinion were that the Board of Directors ceased to exist in January 2012, then that left eleven months of work that would be put in limbo. He added that he did not believe the Board

of Directors acted outside of the law during this time. Discussion followed. **Motion to Defer Failed. Original Motion carried.**

MOTION by Weibel to appoint Steve O'Connor to the Community Action Board term ending 12/31/2015; seconded by Moser. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

County Clerk

MOTION by Kibler to receive the October 2012 report and place on file; seconded by James. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Champaign County Electric Aggregation Program

Busey explained the three decisions required by the County Board in order to move forward and approve the Plan of Operations and Governance incorporating these decisions by the board. The first issue was the power mix-lowest price/enhanced renewable energy. The second was the recoupment of program development cost (a one-time cost) and the third was a decision regarding an additional fee option available to the County as a revenue fund estimated to be approximately \$90,000. Discussion followed.

MOTION by Weibel to recoup program development costs with a fee of less than \$1.00 to be paid by each participating member (estimating 11,000 participating members); seconded by Cowart. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel that the collection of \$0.001 per kWh delivered be included in the program; seconded by Betz. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to set a premium of \$0.001 per kWh delivered be adopted with 100% renewable power mix; seconded by Betz. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to recommend County Board approval of the Plan of Operations & Governance of the Champaign County Electric Aggregation Program as set forth in the agenda; seconded by Cowart. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Weibel to recommend to the County Board that the County Administrator be designated and authorized to execute the Power Supply Agreement for the Champaign County Electricity Aggregation Program on December 11, 2012; seconded by Langenheim. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

County Administrator

MOTION by Bensyl to receive the Administrative Services October 2012 report and place on file; seconded by Rosales. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Alix to recommend to the Finance Committee of the Whole the approval of classification of the County Clerk Lead Tax Extension Specialist position to Grade Range I; seconded by Langenheim. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Busey pointed out that the date of February 26, 2013 for a County Board Study session should be changed to the 28th because the 26th is the date of the primary election. **MOTION** by Esry to recommend County Board approval of the County Board 2013 Calendar of Meetings as amended; seconded by James. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Other Business

County Board Rules Changes

MOTION by James to recommend County Board approval of the proposed change to Rule 8 as follows: *Written notice of any proposed change(s) to these Rules is to be presented to the Committee of the Whole at least fourteen (14) days prior to any consideration of such changes, unless said changes are being proposed as the Rules to be adopted by the County Board at the Biennial Organizational Meeting, in which case the fourteen (14) day advance notice requirement shall not apply.*; seconded by Holderfield. Discussion followed.

MOTION to Amend by Alix to include: *two-thirds vote required for approval without 14 days notice*; seconded by Cowart. Discussion followed. Alix withdrew his motion to amend.

MOTION by Langenheim to defer discussion of County Board Rules Changes to Rule 8, until January 2013; seconded by Rosales. **Motion to defer carried.**

OMNIBUS MOTION by Bensyl to defer all proposed County Board Rules Changes until the January 2013 Policy, Personnel, & Appointments Committee of the Whole meeting; seconded by James. **Motion to defer carried.**

Chair's Report

There was no chair's report.

Designation of Items to be Placed on the County Board Consent Agenda

Items A1, A3-6, A8, C1a-c; C2 was designated for the Consent Agenda.

JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES

Community Justice Task Force Report

Richards explained the Task Force had met several times and the report was a culmination of their work so far. Members of the Task Force present were Lynn Branham, Mark Driscoll, Sheila Ferguson, James Kilgore, Julian Rappaport, and William Sullivan.

The Task Force had met with the States Attorney, the Courts, and had toured the jail facilities. Branham and Driscoll presented the potential recommendations from the Task Force.

Potential Recommendation #1: We believe the criminal-justice system needs to move in directions that utilize incarceration as the last option, promotes prevention, human development, and rehabilitation, and places a priority on a restorative approach to justice.

Potential Recommendation #2: Restorative justice, including "restorative options", should be integrated fully into the criminal-justice system in Champaign County.

Potential Recommendation #3: A Champaign County Restorative and Criminal Justice Coordinating Council should be established to identify and coordinate steps, on an ongoing basis, that can be taken by criminal-justice officials, other governmental officials, nongovernmental entities, and the public to ensure that the criminal-justice system in Champaign County operates cost-effectively and humanely.

Potential Recommendation #4: Comprehensive improvements should be made to mental-health and substance-use-disorder treatment programs and services in order to develop a behavioral-health system of care that avoids incarceration, reduces recidivism, and promotes rehabilitation.

Potential Recommendation #5: A pretrial-services program should be promptly established in Champaign County to perform the screening and supervision functions needed to avoid, except in narrowly defined instances, incarcerating people not convicted of a crime.

Potential Recommendation #6: A full range of community-based diversion, deferred-adjudication, and sentencing options should be made available within the county, be properly implemented in accordance with evidence-based practices, and be adequately funded so that case dispositions and sentences are cost-effective and humane.

Potential Recommendation #7: The additional treatment, programs, and reentry planning needed to avoid incarceration, reduce recidivism, and promote rehabilitation should be made fully available within the county, be properly implemented in accordance with evidence-based practices, be adequately funded, and be coordinated as individuals move through, and out of, the criminal-justice system.

Potential Recommendation #8: The Champaign County Board should appoint a broad-based and diverse "Racial Justice Impact Task Force" to identify the changes needed to reduce and ultimately eradicate racial disparities in the criminal-justice system.

Potential Recommendation #9: Criminal-justice officials in Champaign County should receive the training needed to implement effectively decisions made regarding systemic improvements to be made to the criminal-justice system.

Potential Recommendation #10: The Champaign County Restorative and Criminal Justice Coordinating Council should ensure that there is outreach to, and education of, the public on an ongoing basis about initiatives to make the criminal-justice system in the county more cost-effective and humane.

Potential Recommendation #11: The goals, objectives, and performance standards should be established, data collected, and evaluations conducted that will enable refinements to continue to be made on a timely basis to criminal-justice policies, procedures, practices, and programs to make them more cost-effective and humane.

Kibler asked when the final report would be ready. Richards expected the Task Force work would be extended because they need to work with the consultant so the final report would not be ready until well into 2013.

Alix supported the extension of the Task Force work. Alix believed the charter should be examined because there were many items that did not fall under adult corrections and the County Board should consider adjustments to the Task Force charter moving forward.

Holderfield was disappointed there was no reference to juvenile justice in the report. She wanted to see an emphasis on prevention services. Richards agreed that juvenile services should be included in the final report. However, this was not their charge. He said the Task Force agrees their work should be expanded.

Quisenberry wanted to be able to tell from the report how far the County needs to go in order to have a comprehensive system. Ferguson said her focus on the Task Force was to look at how the needs of (NAMI) National Alliance on Mental Illness could be met. Ferguson agreed the Task Force would benefit from specific guidelines.

Branham explained they needed a risk assessment profile and data from the consultant. Kilgore said they knew there were an excessive number of people with mental health and substance abuse issues and that there were discrepancies in the jail population, but they need to know the specifics. He said they needed to see how many categories an inmate might fall into.

Ammons stated the County needs to look at the big picture and look at cost estimates. She said after the facility is built the costs tend to run it more than expected. She agreed that the Task Force needs more time to perform a comprehensive report.

Michaels said the Chair of the Task Force should provide more guidance to the members. She wanted to see rural representation on the Task Force.

Petrie thanked the Task Force for their work. She said she attended every meeting. Petrie also felt the charge of the Task Force should be broadened to include the Juvenile Justice System.

Rappaport stated the input from the Board is useful and it helps to understand what the County Board wants. He stated the County may have many services but they may not be effective. He explained they need an integrated set of services and need to get the services to the people who need them.

Betz is pleased with the report presented as it was presented and he agreed the charter given to the Task Force was very vague.

MOTION by Ammons to receive the Community Justice Task Force Progress Report and place on file; seconded by Quisenberry. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Citizens Advisory Committee on Jury Selection

Putman discussed the progress of the Citizens Advisory Committee from April 2009 – December 3, 2012. They had revised the Juror Qualification Questionnaire, created the publication and poster *Jury Selection in Champaign County* and stocked it at kiosks in municipal and county buildings. She explained the Presiding Judge now issues a follow-up letter to prospective jurors. They also run public service announcements on the radio.

Putman explained the tasks ahead of them were to conduct a survey, create Honor Roll of employers who make Jury Duty paid time off, obtain permission from the National Center for State Courts to use “Jury of my Peers?” poster, continue outreach to public schools and engage more youth in role play with mock trials.

Monthly Reports

OMNIBUS MOTION by James to receive the monthly reports and place on file; seconded by Holderfield. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Chair’s Report

There was no Chair’s report.

Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

There were no items designated for the County Board Consent Agenda.

FINANCE

Treasurer

MOTION by Esry to receive the Treasurer's October 2012 report and place on file; seconded by Michaels. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

OMNIBUS MOTION by Mitchell to recommend County Board approval of resolutions authorizing the county board Chair to assign Mobile Home Tax Sale Certificates of Purchase for permanent parcel numbers 30-059-0038, 30-059-0041, and 15-025-0341; seconded by James. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Auditor

MOTION by Ammons to receive the October 2012 report and place on file; seconded by Holderfield. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Budget Amendments/Transfers

MOTION by Esry to recommend County Board approval of **Budget Amendment #12-00064** for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-042 Coroner for increased appropriations of \$1,513 with increased revenue of \$1,513 due to state paid salary stipend to county officials; seconded by Maxwell. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Ammons to recommend County Board approval of **Budget Amendment #12-00066** for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-022 County Clerk for increased appropriations of \$2,686 and no increased revenue to cover the payout of compensation benefits due to John Farney; seconded by Bensyl. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Michaels to recommend County Board approval of **Budget Amendment #12-00067** for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-022 County Clerk for increased appropriations of \$13,273 and increased revenue of \$13,273 to reimburse 080-022 for Poll Book related expenses that are reimbursable from grant funds; seconded by Maxwell. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by James to recommend County Board approval of **Budget Amendment #12-00065** for Fund/Dept: 092 Law Library-074 Law Library with increased appropriations of \$850 and no increased revenue, from Fund Balance to cover increased personnel costs; seconded by Carter. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Sheriff

MOTION by Moser to recommend County Board approval of Agreement renewal of Inmate Health Care Services at Champaign County; seconded by Kibler. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Esry to recommend County Board approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Operating Agreement with Aramark for Inmate Foods Services; seconded by Holderfield. **Motion carried.**

County Administrator

MOTION by James to receive the General corporate Fund FY2012 Budget Projection and Change Reports and place on file; seconded by Ammons. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Esry to recommend County Board approval of the classification of the County Clerk Lead Tax Extension Specialist position to Grade Range I, with promotional increase as documented in Article 9-3.6 of the Champaign County Personnel Policy to go into effect on December 1, 2012, subject to the approval by AFSCME prior to implementation; seconded by Bensyl. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Quisenberry to recommend County Board approval that all proceeds of the Champaign county Electricity Aggregation Program Fee be deposited into the County's Capital Asset Replacement Fund Facilities Budget, to be used explicitly for energy efficiency improvements of the County's facilities; seconded by Berkson. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Betz to recommend County Board approval of the FY2013 Annual Tax Levy Ordinance; seconded by Langenheim. **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Betz to recommend County Board approval of FY2013 Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance; seconded by Langenheim. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

MOTION by Betz to recommend County Board approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes for Champaign County; seconded by Langenheim. **Motion carried.**

Other Business

There was no other business.

Chair's Report

There was no Chair's Report.

Items Designated for the County Board Consent Agenda

Items designated for the County Board Consent Agenda were A2-4, C1-3, D1-2, E3-4.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Rhodes
Administrative Assistant

Please note the minutes reflect the order of the agenda and may not necessarily reflect the order of business conducted at the meeting.